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IN VERTEBRATE SUBJECTS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please enter the following amendments and remarks.

AMENDMENT

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 9 with the following rewritten paragraph:

--This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/252,149, filed February 18, 1999, from which application priority is claimed pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §120, and this application is related to Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/075,212, filed February 19, 1998, from which priority is claimed under 35 USC §119(e)(1), and which applications are incorporated herein by reference in their entireties.--

Attached hereto is a page showing the changes made to the specification by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "<u>Version with markings to show</u> <u>changes made.</u>"

REMARKS

The foregoing amendments are made to insert the priority claim.

Respectfully submitted,

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In the specification:

Paragraph beginning on page 1, line 9 has been amended as follows:

This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No.

09/252,149, filed February 18, 1999, from which application priority is claimed pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §120, and this application is related to Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/075,212, filed February 19, 1998, from which priority is claimed under 35 USC §119(e)(1), and which [is] applications are incorporated herein by reference in [its entirety] their entireties.